



New Jersey Department of Education and Department of Community Affairs Officials Help Sort and Pack Donated Food Items at a Food Bank in Ewing

For Immediate Release

Contact: David Saenz

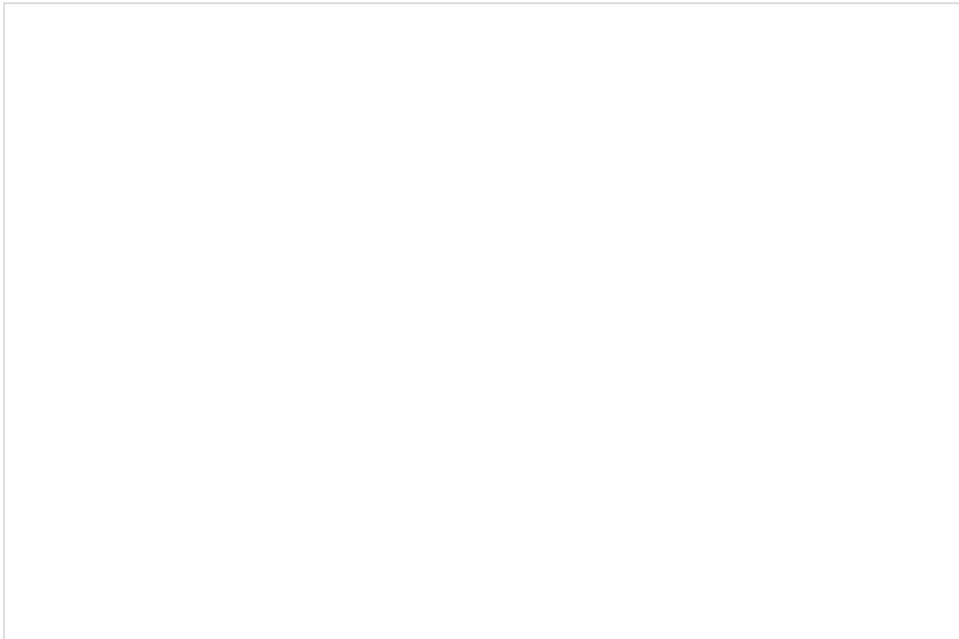
Date: December 16, 2016

609-292-1126

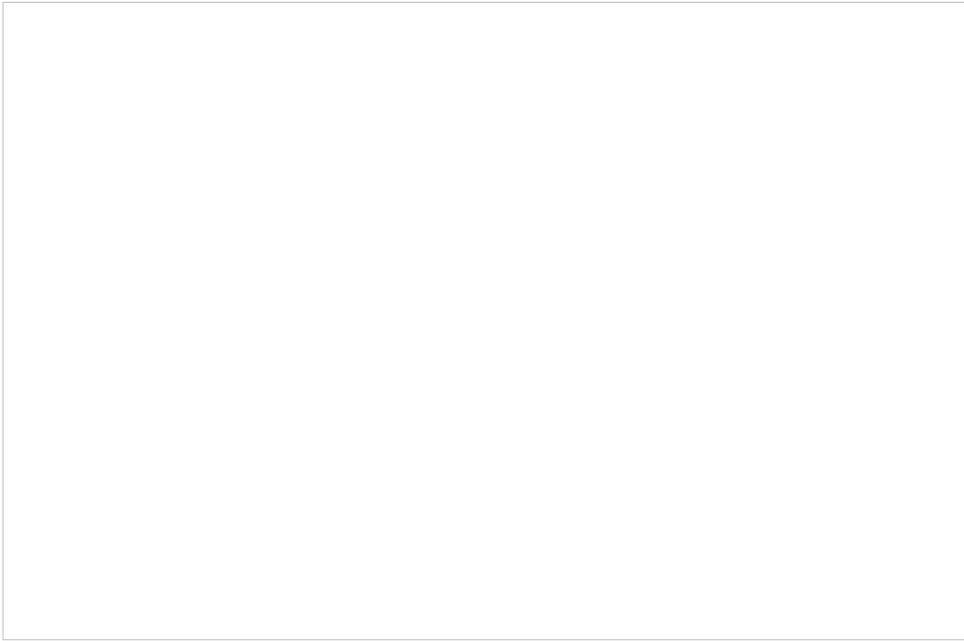
Ewing, NJ - Acting New Jersey Department of Education (NJDOE) Commissioner Kimberley Harrington and NJDOE staff joined the New Jersey Department of Community Affairs (NJDOA) Chief of Staff Joyce Paul and other NJDOA staff members at the Mercer Street Friends Food Bank in Ewing today to help sort and pack donated food items.

The Mercer Street Friends Food Bank channels 2.7 million pounds of food and groceries annually to a network of 80 local food pantries, shelters, soup kitchens, meal sites, schools, senior and disabled programs and low-income housing sites. Their food distribution and hunger prevention programs reach over 30,000 people who face the pain and indignity of hunger. Mercer Street Friends Food Bank is a Partner Distribution Organization with the Community FoodBank of NJ and Feeding America.

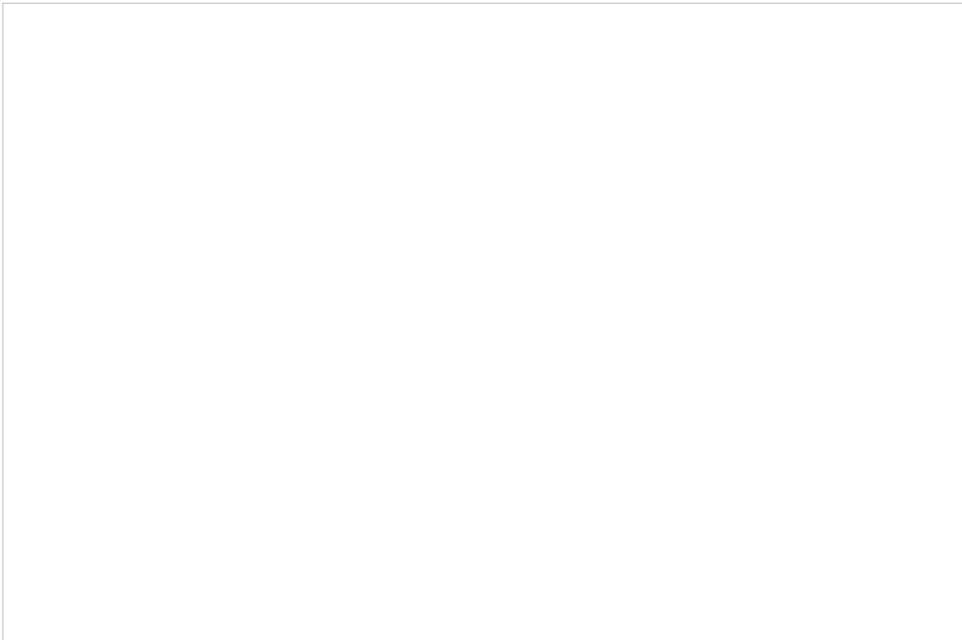
Below are photos and captions of the Season of Service event that are available for public use.



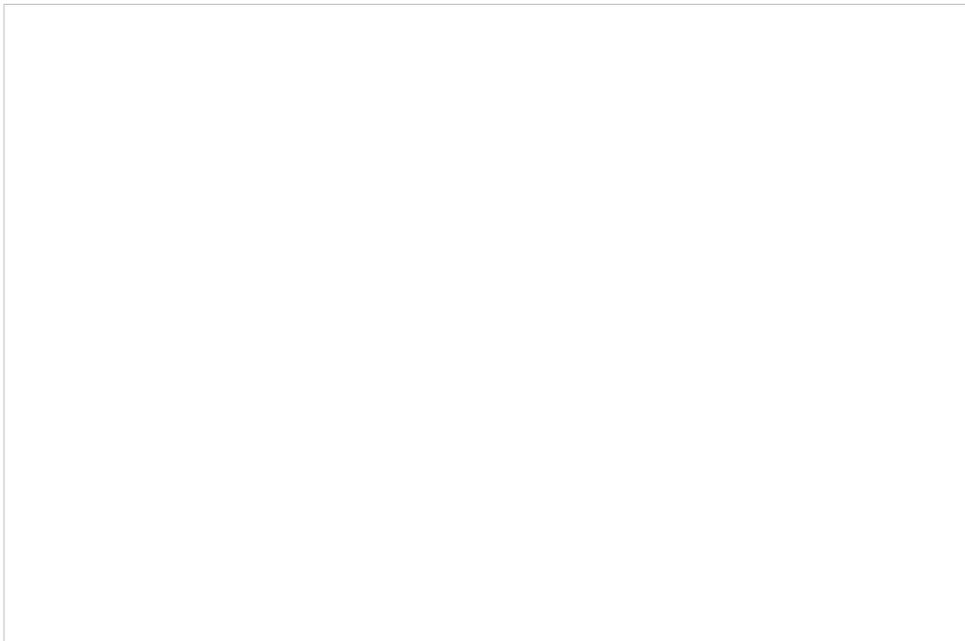
Acting NJDOE Commissioner Kimberley Harrington sorts through a box of donated cereals and granolas, and packs them into boxes at the Mercer Street Friends Food Bank in Ewing.



NJDOE and NJDCA staff sort through boxes of donated pasta at the Mercer Street Friends Food Bank in Ewing.



NJDCA Chief of Staff Joyce Paul sorts through a box of donated breakfast items and packs them into boxes at the Mercer Street Friends Food Bank in Ewing.



Acting NJDOE Commissioner Kimberley Harrington (second person in on the right), NJDCA Chief of Staff Joyce Paul (first person on the left) and NJDOE and NJDCA staff at the Mercer Street Friends Food Bank in Ewing.